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ABSTRACT

This book is a practical, easy-to-use reference source written to help school library media specialists cope with and enjoy technology. Along with explaining technology, the book suggests ways to set up technology, use it, manage it, troubleshoot it, and introduce it to students, teachers, and staff. The book is intended for librarians and educators with varying levels of technical knowledge and background. The book provides enough information about modern technology for school library media specialists to feel comfortable with the technology and have the basic knowledge that will help them explore individual topics in more depth. Each chapter concludes with a bibliography. The book is divided into 12 chapters: (1) "Working with Instructional Technology"; (2) "Computer Basics"; (3) "Library Management with a Computer"; (4) "CD-ROM and Other Types of Compact Discs"; (5) "Videodiscs in the Library"; (6) "Local Area Networks"; (7) "Computer Telecommunications"; (8) "The Internet and the World Wide Web"; (9) "Distance Learning: Television and Beyond"; (10) "Video and Computers"; (11) "Multimedia Presentation Systems and Hypermedia"; and (12) "Technology Staff Development for Teachers." A separate section lists resources for further information, arranged by chapter and with a separate table of contents. Appendices include information on searching ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center), and fair use guidelines for educational multimedia. Also includes a glossary and index. (SWC)

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